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SUBJECT: IVP: NOMINATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION  
CONFERENCE, MAXWELL SCHOOL, SYRACUSE  
UNIVERSITY, APRIL, 1974

REF: A-9406

EMBASSY NOMINATES ALHAJI SAIDU BARDA, PROVINCIAL SECRETARY,  
ZARIA NOTH CENTRAL STATE, TO PARTICIPATE IN SUBJECT PROGRAM.  
BIODATA FOLLOWS:

NAME : ALHAJI SAIDU BARDA

PRESENT POSITION: PROVINCIAL SECREATRY, ZARIA

PAST POSITION: ADMINISTRATOR, KADUNA CAPITAL TERRITORY

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: 1937, KATSINA

PRESENT CITIZENSHIP : NIGERIAN

PREVIOUS CITIZENSHIP: NONE

TRAVEL TO US : NONE

OTHER COUNTRIES : BRITAIN (1966-67), FRANCE, BELGIUM,  
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NORWAY

PREVIOUS USG GRANT : NONE

ESCORT SERVICES : NOT REQUIRED

VISA ELIGIBILITY : NAMECHECK SATISFACTORY, VISA ELGIBLE

REASON FOR NOMINATION: THOUGH STILL A RELATIVE YOUNG MAN, AN, SAIDU

BARDA HAS ALREADY HELD SEVERAL IMPORTANT POSITIONS IN NORTH CENTRAL STATE. HE CURRENTLY HOLDS AN INFLUENTIAL POSITION AS PROVINCIAL SECRETARY (ROUGHLY EQUIVALENT TO MAJOR) OF ZARIA. WILL UNQUESTIANABLY CONTINUE AS IMPORTANT FACTOR IN STATE GOVERNMENT AND COULD VERY WELL RISE TO PROMINENCE ON NATIONAL SCENE. HE WOULD PARTICULARLY BENEFIT FROM ATTENDANCE AT THE DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE AT SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY AS THIS HIS FIELD OF SPECIALIZATION AND HE COULD EXCHANGE IDEAS, PROBLEMS, ETC. WITH AMERICAN SPECIALISTS THIS FIELD.

OBJECTIVES OF US VISIT: BARDA HAS HELD, NOW HOLD AND WILL CERTAINLY CONTINUE TO HOLD POSITIONS OF INFLUENCE AND RESPECONSIBILITY IN NORTH CENTRAL STATE. AS A DYNAMIC, WELL-EDUCATED AND RELATIVELY YOUNG MAN, HE MIGHT WELL BECOME A FIGURE OF NATIONAL PROMINENCE FOLLOWING THE PRESUMED RETURN TO CIVILIAN RULE IN 1976.

THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S EARLY APPROVAL OF THIS NOMINATION.

2. EMBASSY HAS CHOSEN AS ALTERNATE, DR. LADIPO ADAMOLEKUN OF UNIVERSITY OF IFE, ILE IFE. WILL SUPPLY BIDATA IF NEEDED.  
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